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Application of Adrian Francis Backes  
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**AMENDMENT C**

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SIR:

In response to the Office action dated September 17, 2008, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Applicant's Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.